

## **Energy and Minerals**

There are 21 mining claims on the Coos Bay District. In FY 99, one Plan of Operations covering approximately 300 acres on the North Spit of Coos Bay for sand exploration was submitted and approved. No mining notices were received, no compliance inspections performed, and no notices of non-compliance issued. One permit was issued for the removal of approximately 300 cubic yards of material from the existing Baker Creek rock quarry.

## **Range Resources**

In FY 99 the District continued the 6 grazing permits authorizing grazing of 124 animal unit months of forage.

## **Land Tenure Adjustments**

In FY 2000 the District completed two direct land sales in which approximately three acres of CBWR land near Fairview was sold to the holders of the occupancy leases. There are no direct sales planned for FY 2001.

The Coquille Restoration Act (PL 101-42) of 1989 established the Coquille Forest as part of the Coquille Tribe Self-Sufficiency Plan. In 1996, the Act was amended to identify approximately 5,400 acres within Coos County to be transferred from BLM to the BIA, to be held in trust for the Coquille Tribe as the “Coquille Forest.” The Coquille Tribe assumed management of these lands in September 1998.

In FY 99 the District identified approximately 8,200 acres of PD lands which have been redesignated as CBWR or O&C lands of “equivalent timber value” as required by PL 101-42 which established the Coquille Forest. The notice redesignating the identified PD lands was published in the *Federal Register*, Vol. 65, No. 96 on May 17, 2000 with an effective date of July 16, 2000.

A Solicitor’s Opinion was issued in FY 2000, which resolved title of the Coos Bay Wagon Road. Where the road crosses public land, a 100 foot strip belongs in fee title to the county. In the Coos Bay District, the ownership is Coos County; the portion in Douglas County which is in the Roseburg District, belongs to Douglas County. Approximately 15 miles of road crosses CBWR and O&C land in Coos Bay District.

The Oregon Public Lands Transfer and Protection Act of 1998, PL 105-321, established a policy of “No Net Loss” of O&C and Coos Bay Wagon Road (CBWR) lands in western Oregon. The Act requires that, *...when selling, purchasing, or exchanging land, BLM may neither 1) reduce the total acres of O&C or CBWR lands nor 2) reduce the number of acres of O&C or CBWR lands that are available for timber harvest below what existed on October 30, 1998....* The redesignation of lands associated with establishment of the Coquille Forest noted above is not included in the Act. Table 27 displays the results for the first three years of the No Net Loss policy on the District.

**Table 27. No Net Loss Report for FY 98 to 2000**

Type of Action (sale, purchase, exchange)	Name/Serial Number	Acquired Acres						Disposed Acres					
		Land Status			Available for Timber Harvest			Land Status			Available for Timber Harvest		
		O&C	CBWR	PD	O&C	CBWR	PD	O&C	CBWR	PD	O&C	CBWR	PD
Purchase	OR-50404 <sup>1</sup>			71			0						
Sale	OR-53620 <sup>2</sup>									2			0
Sale	OR-53838 <sup>3</sup>								1			0	
Sale	OR-53839 <sup>4</sup>								2			0	
Title Resolution	OR-56084 <sup>5</sup>							9	183		0	0	

<sup>1</sup> Russell Purchase of land adjacent to New River ACEC (Lost Lake) February 1998

<sup>2</sup> Bally Bandon direct sale (T. 27S., R. 14W., Section 29 Lot 3) April 1999

<sup>3</sup> Enos Ralph direct sale (T. 27S., R. 12 W. Section 13) November 1999

<sup>4</sup> Leslie Crum direct sale (T. 27 S, R. 11 W., Section 5) April 2000

<sup>5</sup> Coos County Title Resolution (Coos Bay Wagon Road) September 2000